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19.	Punjab	3861	4254	90.8
20.	Rajasthen	4471	25711	17.4
21.	Sikkim	16	114	14.0
22.	Tamil Nadu	2698	8361	32.3
23.	Tripura	56	310	16.1
24.	Uttar Pradesh	11322	20838	54.3
25.	West Bengal	1911	5932	32.2
	Total States	50035	184165	27.2
	Total Uts	66	211	31.3
	Grand Total	50101	184376	27.2

Sources: Land use Statistics (Latest), brought out by the Ministry of Agriculture & Cooperation.

Bid by Mazagon Dock Limited for HX-HY well platforms

56. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mazagon Dock Limited has quoted for HX-HY well platforms contract to ONGC by importing flexible pipelines from Coflexip Stena, Frace and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the prices quoted by MDL in March, 1995 and revised in October, 1995 and the basis for revision;

(c) whether competitive bids from international explorers were invited by MDL for flexible and rigid pipes, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of flexible pipes used in India only for water injection platforms and whether ONGC has verified the suitability of such pipes for well platforms carrying gas and oil?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION & SUPPLIES) (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (d) As required by ONGC offers were given by Mazagon DOCK LIMITED (MDL) for both options or rigid and flexible pipelines. However, MDL, have since been informed by ONGC that the work will be executed with rigid pipeline. The prices were revised consequent to modification in the scope of work and negotiations. According to MDL, they had entered into an MOU with a company which is the world leader in manufacture, supply and laying of flexible pipelines, particularly those of diameter larger than 10 inches, for rigid pipelines the various available options have been explored.

Hike in Indian Airlines fares

57. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Airlines has drawn up a plan for 20 percent hike in its fares;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to review the decision;

(c) the reasons for which the air fares are being increased frequently; and

(d) the steps being taken to avoid such frequent fare hikes?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURIM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) At present, Indian Airlines has no proposal to increase its fare. However, during the last one year, Indian Airlines increased domestic rupee fare once, w.e.f. 1st October, 1995 by an average of 20%. The domestic dollar fare was increased by a marginal 6% on an average w.e.f. 15th June, 1995 and by about 20% w.e.f. 1st January, 1996. The fares are increased to partially offset the all-round increase in the cost of operations.

Functioning of Industrial Development Centres

58. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Industrial Development Centres set up during the sixties are not fully functional now;

(b) if so, whether Government have received any study report after conducting survey in these sectors;

(c) the total number of such Centres set up during sixties and each Centre's functional position at present;

(d) whether Government have formulated any scheme for the revival of these Centres;

(e) if so, the detailed out-lines of the schemes; and

(f) the time by which these Centres are likely to be revived?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI K. KARUNAKARAN): (a) to (f) The Growth Centre Scheme was introduced by the Government oT India in 1983 to Industrialise the 'No Industry Districts'. Under the scheme one or two identified Growth Centres in each of the 'No Industry District' was to be provided with Central assistance of Rs. 2.00 crores for infrastructure development. A total of 93 districts " were identified as 'No Industry Districts' all over the country as per the District Industry Centre (DIC) Action Plan-1979-80.

Under the above scheme 30 Growth Centres spreading over 9 states were approved till 1988-89 when the new Growth Centre Scheme was announced by the Government of India in June, 1988. With the introduction of the new Growth Centre Scheme, the old scheme of 1983 was discontinued. However, such ongoing projects where substantial progress had been made remain eligible to get the full share of Central assistance before 31st March, 1996. Out of 30 Centres approved under the scheme, full Central assistance has been released in respect of 9 Centres. 2 Centres have been converted to the new Growth Centre scheme. Out of the remaining 19 Centres ten have already lapsed as their progress was unsatisfactory and no progress was reported for over last five years. The remaining 9 Centres are eligible to receive balance amount of Central assistance upto 31.3.96. The details of these 30 Growth Centres have been given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of Central Assistance Released Old Growth Centre Scheme—NID

SI. No.	Name of the Centre/State	Assistance released Rs. in lakhs	Remarks
A.	Centres already completed or converted into New Scheme.		
	Karnataka		
1.	Bidar	200.00	Completed.